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Grants and Audit Management Branch, OPM/GAMB

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RECIPIENT TYPE:

Not for Profit

RECIPIENT:

268 Smith Street

**EIN:** 80-0558407

Brooklyn, NY 11231

# U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

#### **Assistance Amendment**

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GRANT NUMBER (FAIN):	97206112	
MODIFICATION NUMBER:	1	DATE OF AWARD
PROGRAM CODE:	1	09/30/2015
TYPE OF ACTION		MAILING DATE
No Cost Amendment		09/30/2015
PAYMENT METHOD:		ACH#
Reimbursement		20491

Send Payment Request to:

Grants and Audit Management Branch

PAYEE:

Friends and Residents of Greater Gowanus

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**EPA GRANT SPECIALIST** 

#### PROJECT TITLE AND EXPLANATION OF CHANGES

Gowanus Canal Technical Assistance Grant

Friends and Residents of Greater Gowanus

This amendment extends the project and budget period expiration dates to September 14, 2018 to allow FROGG to complete approved activities. This action is in accordance with Marlene Donnelly's written request dated August 28, 2015. This amendment also reflects the change in Project Manager from Bette Stolz to Marlene Donnelly. There is no change to the amount of funds awarded or the scope of work under this agreement.

Please note that Administrative Condition Nos. 5, 6, 7 and 18 have been revised and Condition No. 21 has been added. All other Terms and Conditions remain in effect.

**BUDGET PERIOD PROJECT PERIOD** TOTAL BUDGET PERIOD COST **TOTAL PROJECT PERIOD COST** 09/15/2012 - 09/14/2018 09/15/2012 - 09/14/2018 \$62,500.00 \$62,500.00

## **NOTICE OF AWARD**

Based on your Application dated 08/28/2015 including all modifications and amendments, the United States acting by and through the US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) hereby awards \$0. EPA agrees to cost-share 80.00% of all approved budget period costs incurred, up to and not exceeding total federal funding of \$50,000. Recipient's signature is not required on this agreement. The recipient demonstrates its commitment to carry out this award by either: 1) drawing down funds within 21 days after the EPA award or amendment mailing date; or 2) not filing a notice of disagreement with the award terms and conditions within 21 days after the EPA award or amendment mailing date. If the recipient disagrees with the terms and conditions specified in this award. the authorized representative of the recipient must furnish a notice of disagreement to the EPA Award Official within 21 days after the EPA award or amendment mailing date. In case of disagreement, and until the disagreement is resolved, the recipient should not draw down on the funds provided by this award/amendment, and any costs incurred by the recipient are at its own risk. This agreement is subject to applicable EPA regulatory and statutory provisions, all terms and conditions of this agreement and any attachments.

ISSUING OFFICE (GRANTS MANAGEMENT OFFICE)	AWARD APPROVAL OFFICE
ORGANIZATION / ADDRESS	ORGANIZATION / ADDRESS
Grants and Audit Management Branch 290 Broadway, 27th Floor New York, NY 10007-1866	U.S. EPA, Region 2 Emergency and Remedial Response Division 290 Broadway New York, NY 10007-1866

## THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA BY THE U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

Digital signature applied by EPA Award Official Rudnell ONeal - Associate Grants Management Officer

DATE 09/30/2015

# **EPA Funding Information**

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FUNDS	FORMER AWARD	THIS ACTION	AMENDED TOTAL
EPA Amount This Action	\$ 50,000	\$ 0	\$ 50,000
EPA In-Kind Amount	\$ 0	\$	\$ 0
Unexpended Prior Year Balance	\$ 0	\$	\$ 0
Other Federal Funds	\$ 0	\$	\$ 0
Recipient Contribution	\$ 12,500	\$	\$ 12,500
State Contribution	\$ 0	\$	\$ 0
Local Contribution	\$ 0	\$	\$ 0
Other Contribution	\$ 0	\$	\$ 0
Allowable Project Cost	\$ 62,500	\$ 0	\$ 62,500

Assistance Program (CFDA)	Statutory Authority	Regulatory Authority
66.806 - Superfund Technical Assistance Grants  (TAG) for Community Groups at National Priority  List (NPL) Sites	CERCLA: Sec. 117(e)	40 CFR PTS 30 & 35 SUBPT M

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Site Name	Req No	FY	Approp. Code	Budget Organization	PRC	Object Class	Site/Project	Cost Organization	Obligation / Deobligation

Budget Summary Page: FROGG TAG GRANT

Table A - Object Class Category (Non-construction)	Total Approved Allowable Budget Period Cost
1. Personnel	\$12,500
2. Fringe Benefits	\$0
3. Travel	\$0
4. Equipment	\$0
5. Supplies	\$945
6. Contractual	\$47,025
7. Construction	\$0
8. Other	\$2,030
9. Total Direct Charges	\$62,500
10. Indirect Costs: % Base	\$0
11. Total (Share: Recipient 20.00 % Federal 80.00 %.)	\$62,500
12. Total Approved Assistance Amount	\$50,000
13. Program Income	\$0
14. Total EPA Amount Awarded This Action	\$0
15. Total EPA Amount Awarded To Date	\$50,000

# Administrative Conditions

Administrative Condition Nos. 5, 6, 7, and 18 have been revised and Condition No. 21 has been added.

#### 5. UTILIZATION OF SMALL, MINORITY AND WOMEN'S BUSINESS ENTERPRISES

## **GENERAL COMPLIANCE, 40 CFR, Part 33**

The recipient agrees to comply with the requirements of EPA's Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Program for procurement activities under assistance agreements, contained in 40 CFR, Part 33.

#### REPORTING PROVISION

MBE/WBE reporting is required annually for assistance agreements where there are funds budgeted for procuring construction, equipment, services and supplies, including funds budgeted for direct procurement by the recipient or procurement under subawards or loans in the "Other" category, that exceed the threshold amount of \$150,000, including amendments and/or modifications.

Based on EPA's review of the planned budget, this award does <u>not</u> meet the condition above and is <u>not</u> subject to the reporting requirements of the Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Program. However, if during the performance of the award the total of all funds expended for direct procurement by the recipient and procurement under subwards or loans in the "Other" category exceeds \$150,000, annual reports will be required in accordance with the reporting paragraph below and you are required to notify your grant specialist for additional instructions.

The recipient also agrees to request prior approval from EPA for procurements that may activate DBE Program reporting requirements.

This provision represents an approved deviation from the MBE/WBE reporting requirements as described in 40 CFR, Part 33, Section 33.502; however, the other requirements outlined in 40 CFR Part 33 remain in effect, including the Good Faith Efforts requirements as described in 40 CFR Part 33 Subpart C and Fair Share Objectives negotiation as described in 40 CFR Part 33 Subpart D and explained below.

#### MBE/WBE REPORTING, 40 CFR, Part 33, Subpart E

When required, MBE/WBE reports must be submitted annually. The recipient agrees to complete and submit a "MBE/WBE Utilization Under Federal Grants, Cooperative Agreements and Interagency Agreements" report (EPA Form 5700-52A) on an annual basis. All procurement actions are reportable, not just that portion which exceeds \$150,000.

When completing the annual report, recipients are instructed to check the box titled "annual" in section 1B of the form. For the final report, recipients are instructed to check the box indicated for the "last report" of the project in section 1B of the form. Annual reports are due by October 30<sup>th</sup> of each year. Final reports are due by October 30<sup>th</sup> or 90 days after the end of the project period, whichever comes first.

The reporting requirement is based on total procurements. Recipients with expended and/or budgeted funds for procurement are required to report annually whether the planned procurements take place during the reporting period or not. If no budgeted procurements take place during the reporting period, the recipient should check the box in section 5B when completing the form.

MBE/WBE reports should be sent to the Region 2 Grants Office's central mailbox (
Region2 GrantApplicationBox@epa.gov) with a courtesy copy to the grants specialist. The current EPA
Form 5700-52A can be found at the EPA Office of Small Business Program's Home Page at
http://www.epa.gov/osbp/dbe reporting.htm

# FAIR SHARE OBJECTIVES, 40 CFR, Part 33, Subpart D

This assistance agreement is a Technical Assistance Grant (TAG); or the award amount is \$250,000 or less; or the total dollar amount of all of the recipient's financial assistance agreements from EPA in the

current Federal fiscal year is \$250,000 or less. Therefore, the recipient of this assistance agreement is exempt from the fair share objective requirements of 40 CFR, Part 33, Subpart D, and is not required to negotiate fair share objectives/goals for the utilization of MBE/WBEs in its procurements.

## SIX GOOD FAITH EFFORTS, 40 CFR, Part 33, Subpart C

Pursuant to 40 CFR, Section 33.301, the recipient agrees to make the following good faith efforts whenever procuring construction, equipment, services and supplies under an EPA financial assistance agreement, and to require that sub-recipients, loan recipients, and prime contractors also comply. Records documenting compliance with the six good faith efforts shall be retained:

- (a) Ensure DBEs are made aware of contracting opportunities to the fullest extent practicable through outreach and recruitment activities. For Indian Tribal, State and Local and Government recipients, this will include placing DBEs on solicitation lists and soliciting them whenever they are potential sources.
- (b) Make information on forthcoming opportunities available to DBEs and arrange time frames for contracts and establish delivery schedules, where the requirements permit, in a way that encourages and facilitates participation by DBEs in the competitive process. This includes, whenever possible, posting solicitations for bids or proposals for a minimum of 30 calendar days before the bid or proposal closing date.
- (c) Consider in the contracting process whether firms competing for large contracts could subcontract with DBEs. For Indian Tribal, State and local Government recipients, this will include dividing total requirements when economically feasible into smaller tasks or quantities to permit maximum participation by DBEs in the competitive process.
- (d) Encourage contracting with a consortium of DBEs when a contract is too large for one of these firms to handle individually.
- (e) Use the services and assistance of the SBA and the Minority Business Development Agency of the Department of Commerce.
- (f) If the prime contractor awards subcontracts, require the prime contractor to take the steps in paragraphs (a) through (e) of this section.

#### CONTRACT ADMINISTRATION PROVISIONS, 40 CFR, Section 33.302

The recipient agrees to comply with the contract administration provisions of 40 CFR, Section 33.302.

# BIDDERS LIST, 40 CFR, Section 33.501(b) and (c)

Recipients of a Continuing Environmental Program Grant or other annual reporting grant, agree to create and maintain a bidders list. Recipients of an EPA financial assistance agreement to capitalize a revolving loan fund also agree to require entities receiving identified loans to create and maintain a bidders list if the recipient of the loan is subject to, or chooses to follow, competitive bidding requirements. Please see 40 CFR, Section 33.501 (b) and (c) for specific requirements and exemptions.

#### 6. FEDERAL FINANCIAL REPORTS/GRANT CLOSEOUT

# A) Interim Federal Financial Reports (FFRs)

Pursuant to 40 CFR 30.52(a)(1) and 30.71(a), EPA recipients shall submit an interim annual Federal Financial Report (SF-425) to EPA no later than 90 calendar days following each anniversary of the start date of the agreement. The FFR must be faxed to the Las Vegas Finance Office at 702-798-2423, emailed to LVFC-grants@epa.gov, or sent to the address below. A courtesy copy of the interim FFR can be submitted to the Grants and Audit Management Branch via email to Region2 GrantApplicationBox@epa.gov. All email attachments must be sent in pdf format. Documents

emailed to us in any other format will not be accepted.

## B) Final Federal Financial Report

At the end of the project, the recipient must submit a final Federal Financial Report to EPA no later than 90 calendar days after the end of the project period. The form is available on the internet at <a href="http://www.epa.gov/ocfo/finservices/forms.htm">http://www.epa.gov/ocfo/finservices/forms.htm</a>. All FFRs must be submitted to the Las Vegas Finance Center:

US EPA, Las Vegas Finance Center 4220 S. Maryland Pkwy, Bld C, Rm 503 Las Vegas, NV 89119

or by email: LVFC-grants@epa.gov or Fax to: 702-798-2423. All email attachments must be sent in pdf format.

The LVFC will make adjustments, as necessary, to obligated funds after reviewing and accepting a final Federal Financial Report. Recipients will be notified and instructed by EPA if they must complete any additional forms for the closeout of the assistance agreement.

EPA may take enforcement actions in accordance with 40 CFR 30.62 if the recipient does not comply with this term and condition.

# C) Closeout

The Administrative Closeout Phase for this grant will be initiated with the submission of a "final" FFR. At that time, the recipient must submit the following forms/reports to the EPA Region 2 Grants and Audit Management Branch, if applicable:

- Federally Owned Property Report
- An Inventory of all Property Acquired with federal funds
- Contractor's or Grantee's Invention Disclosure Report (EPA Form 3340-3)

#### 7. EXTENSION OF PROJECT/BUDGET PERIOD EXPIRATION DATE

If a no cost time extension is necessary to extend the period of availability of funds (budget period), the recipient must submit a written request, including a justification as to why additional time is needed and an estimated date of completion to the EPA prior to the budget/project period expiration dates. The extension request should be submitted to the EPA, Grants and Audit Management Branch via email to Region2\_GrantApplicationBox@epa.gov. An interim FFR\_(SF-425) covering all expenditures and obligations to date, must be emailed or faxed to the Las Vegas Finance Office at LVFC-grants@epa.gov or 702-798-2423 or sent to the address below. To expedite processing of your request, please submit a courtesy copy of the interim FFR to the Grants and Audit Management Branch along with your extension request. All email attachments must be sent in pdf format. Documents emailed to us in any other format will not be accepted.

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#### 18. MANDATORY TRAINING FOR NON-PROFIT RECIPIENTS

Recipient acknowledges that two employees of this recipient organization must complete the mandatory on-line training, "EPA Grant Management Training for Non-Profit Applicants and Recipients." One person must be the project manager, or equivalent, for this assistance agreement. The other individual must be the person authorized to draw down funds for this assistance agreement. The training must be completed by both employees prior to the return of the award document to EPA and the receipt of any grant funds. The course can be accessed at:

http://www.epa.gov/ogd/

At the end of the course the recipient must print, sign and return the certificate of completion to the EPA, Grants and Audit Management Branch via email to Region2\_GrantApplicationBox@epa.gov. EPA will not release funds to the recipient until the required training is completed. Certifications must be maintained throughout the life of the agreement. The training must be completed every three (3) years by both employees and when there are personnel changes.

# 21. LIMITATION ON CHARGING COSTS - OVERDUE FEDERAL FINANCIAL REPORT(s)

The recipient may incur costs on eligible activities, but is precluded from charging costs to this Grant Agreement for costs incurred during the grant period until the recipient has submitted to the Las Vegas Finance Center the overdue interim/annual Federal Financial Report(s) (SF-425) covering the required reporting periods. In the future, no reimbursements will be made for costs incurred during periods for which Federal Financial Reports are overdue until the overdue Federal Financial Reports have been submitted to the Las Vegas Finance Center.

# **Programmatic Conditions**

All Programmatic Conditions Remain the Same